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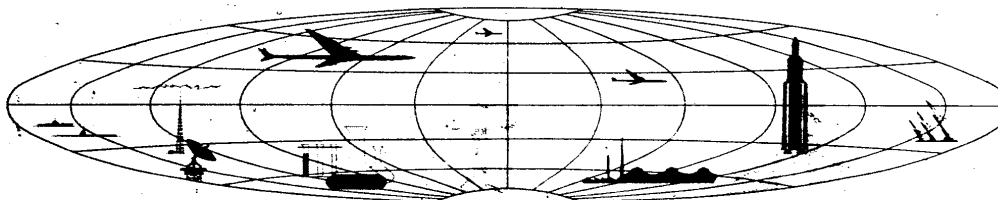
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MINING INSTALLATION NEAR CHAGYL, USSR

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A mining installation (40-42N 55-26E)* is located approximately 8 nautical miles (nm) south of Chagyl and 120 nm east-northeast of Krasnovodsk, USSR (Figure 1). The installation consists of an open-pit mine and several associated support facilities (Figure 2). When it was first seen on photography of [REDACTED] the installation appeared to have been in operation for some years. No milling or other processing

facility is observed at the installation. However, two waste dumps are visible, and sifting and sorting of ore on a small-scale is in progress.

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*These coordinates are a correction of the location given as 40-41N 55-47E in NPIC/MCI-2/61, Mission Coverage Index, Mission [REDACTED] Jul 61 (TSCR).

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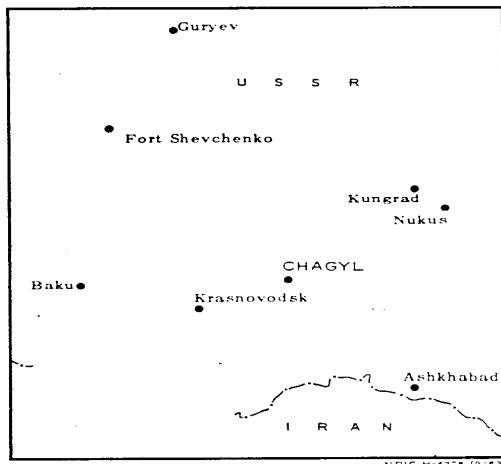


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF MINING INSTALLATION NEAR CHAGYL, USSR.

Description of Facilities. The installation's facilities are shown on Figure 2.

The mine is an oval-shaped pit measuring 1,000 by 700 feet. The mine appears to be deep,

[REDACTED] hoisting facility is probably located in a building at the east end of the mine and hoisting lines probably run against the pit wall. A waste dump, measuring 800 by 800 feet, adjoins the pit on the west. A second waste dump, measuring 800 by 400 feet, is located east of the pit.

An operations area contains approximately five buildings which average 100 by 50 feet. The area shows no indication of milling operations. There is photographic evidence that sifting and sorting of earth is performed on a limited scale in this area. To the north of the operations area is a possible maintenance area which contains several small workshop-type buildings.

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FIGURE 2. MINING INSTALLATION, [REDACTED]

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A storage area is located south of the mine pit on the good, oil-treated road to Krasnovodsk. The area contains six warehouse-type buildings, averaging 200 by 80 feet in size, and several smaller buildings.

A probable explosives storage area is at an isolated location north-northwest of the mine pit. This area is fenced and measures approximately

350 feet square. It contains a storage building (280 by 50 feet) and a small support building.

The housing area contains approximately 24 single-unit family-type dwellings, 31 barracks-type buildings (200 by 40 feet), a U-shaped administration-type building, an unidentified building (200 by 90 feet), and numerous small support buildings.

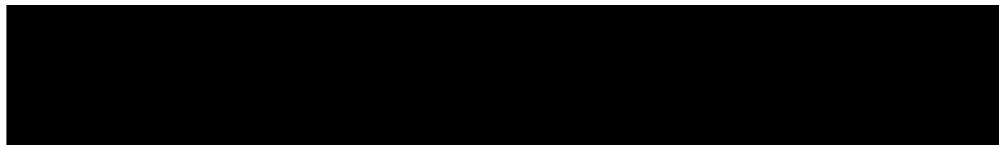
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